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Holland and Her Stamps.

BY HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

Among the countries available to the specialist of moderate means, Holland, as it is most commonly called, although officially designated The Netherlands, seems to be a very good subject for his limited pocket-book. For nearly forty years the stamps of Holland bore the likeness of William III, a not very moral individual, although a politic and progressive king whose government was successful. Late in life (1879) he married for his second wife Princess Emma of Waldeck and Pyrmont, and as a result of this union, August 31, 1880, Princess Wilhelmina was born. In the latter part of 1890 William died and the ten-year-old girl succeeded to the throne, her mother acting as regent until August 31, 1898, when the princess reached her majority and soon was crowned as queen. After 1891 the young queen's head for seven years was found on Holland's stamps and spoken of as those of the little flaxen-haired girl. Since her coronation, however, stamps have been issued with her likeness as a full-fledged crowned queen. For some time the match-makers have been trying to find a husband for her, and several have been named as the possible individuals but she seems to be able to take care of her own affairs, matrimonially as well as otherwise, and has plenty of nerve, sand and independence, and is not to be bluffed into taking what she doesn't want.

Apropos of the above it has been recently made public that she has taken a fancy to Duke Henry of Meiklenburg-Schuerin, who reciprocates her affection, and she is determined to marry him. Her cabinet ministers admitted his good qualities but intimated that he is an insignificant person, and told her that the affairs of state demanded that she should look for more royal timber, even if it didn't pan out very heavily mentally and ran to pinheads and neurasthenia.

Wilhelmina was firm in her decision, however, and then the foxy counselors pointed out that legally she could not marry without their approval. She put on a frigid smile and informed them that another law had been possibly overlooked, by which she could dismiss her cabinet when she pleased, and she thought that in all Holland she could secure a set of ministers who would acknowledge her as the mistress of the situation, and her betrothal was announced according to her wishes.

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But all this may be pooh-poohed at by the philatelist as not belonging to the stampic magazine. Still there are those who are interested in the conntries which issue stamps.

As before stated, King William's head appeared on Holland's stamps for nearly forty years. Exception was made in 1869-70 when six stamps of five different values appeared with a shield surrounded by a crown, and in 1874, when four values were brought out with figures in a circle, the whole stamp being square. In 1891 the head of the young queen appeared with long hair combed back, and, with some variations, stamps of this nature were used till 1899, although in the latter part of 1898 appeared the 1 gulden coronation stamp. In 1899 four small values with numerals in a horizontal oval were printed and ten higher values of one size from 3c to 50c, some of one color, some of two colors, showed the crowned queen. Two still higher values were brought out, larger than the others, also having the crowned head. Turning to the catalogue we find that in Holland proper there is scarcely an expensive stamp in the whole lot of regular postal issues, there being less than a half dozen that cost anywhere near a dollar. The unpaid stamps have so many variations that probably few persons will try to collect them. The envelopes are few in number and cheap.

Barring the unpaid stamps, the issues of Curacao, Lurinam and the Dutch Indies are reasonably cheap. A glance at the unpaid varieties is, if possible, more discouraging to contemplate in the colonies than at home. The collector must use his own judgment concerning them as he does with any minor varieties, and the great mass of people will pass them by, only taking what accidentally come their way.

New vs. Old Issues Once More.

BY EDGAR S. BRIGHTMAN.

It would be fair neither to the readers of the Jubilee, nor to myself to allow the article by Mr. Peltz in the November number to go unanswered, and so I will endeavor, by taking this opportunity, to refute his objections to new issues.

The first point my friend makes is that new issues are cheaper than old because printed in larger number. Very true, there are more printed, but did it never occur to Mr. Peltz that there are more people to use them? His reasoning does not hold good. Current unused stamps are cheap, comparatively because anyone can obtain them at face by sending to the conntry of issue, if the dealers' prices are too high. As concerns reprints reissues and remainders, new issues are no more open to that objection than old. In fact there are few, very few, instances of any stamps being reprinted that were issued originally less than ten or twenty years ago.

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The question of whether new issues in general, and Columbians in particular, are going to rise in value is merely a matter of opinion, but it has so much to do with this subject that I will discuss it in brief. Of course I am aware that Columbians at present are a drug on the market, but am I not also aware of the fact that Chinese Treaty Ports and Arbans and Porto Ricans, not so very long ago either, could hardly be sold at any price? And now, is not everyone hustling for them? The Columbians will have to overcome many disadvantages, I grant, before they do rise, but mark my words they are going to rise. The boom is coming! Be ready for it!

Mr. Peltz should not think that I defend every new issue (vide the first paragraph of my article in the Exchange) but I do contend, and am prepared to support my contention, that the majority of new issues are as worthy of being collected as the majority of older ones. I have not yet heard of anyone who is foolish enough to attempt to justify the Vasco De Gama issues of Portugal and her colonies and I rejoice with Mr. Peltz that their sale resulted in a loss.

If we are to abide by my friend's dictum that only such stamps should be collected as are really necessary, constituency would keep us from many myriads of stamps. Nine-tenths of the issues of Cuba (a country in which he has informed me Mr. Peltz specializes) were wholly needless. There was no earthly use in changing the colors of the newspaper stamps every other year from 1888 to 1896. Further, was the 1896 issue of the U. S. strictly necessary? No more so than the Columbians, or Omahas, or Pan-Americans. The same may be said of the reprints of the older issues sold in 1876 at the Philadelphia Exposition and sold to-day at decidedly fancy prices. If we collect only necessary issues there will be small pleasure or profit in philately.

The era of speculative and unnecessary stamps has already reached its zenith, a fact (shown by the regulation of the U. P. U. keeping them from the international mails) over which every true philatelist should rejoice. But do not be careful overmuch in what we collect, because it wears on the nerves, though of course we should use "deescreemeenation" as Geordie Crawford in "Black Rock" was wont to say. In new issues we face a condition, not a theory, and let us not be abashed thereby, but heroically take up the stamp man's burden.

Some Notes on the Phillipine Islands' Stamps.

BY JOHN PELTZ.

There has been quite a demand for the stamps of this former Spanish colony, ever since our Uncle Sam's war with Spain. And there are good reasons why the speculators and wide-awake collectors are hastening to fill up the pages of their albums with these islands' postal emmissions, for, as they have been printed in less quantities than many other countries' old issues they therefore have a good future in view, according to a financial standpoint. Despite the fact that large quantities of remainders have recently come upon the market, few dealers seem to have many for sale at 50% discount; and prices generally are stiffening up instead of going down. But now our preface is concluded, so we will proceed to a discussion of some things we have

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The 1855 5c. vermilion was re-engraved a short time after it had been issued. The re-engraved type can be distinguished from the first one by the circle surrounding the head which is larger and broken by the outer frame. Although there are four varieties of the engraving in the un-re-engraved stamp there is only one variety of the re-engraved types.

In 1859, due probably to an unforseen shortage of these two values of Philippine Islands' proper issue, the 1855 Cuba, 1 r. p. green and 2 r. p. carmine, on bluish paper, were used in the Philippine Islands on mail matter. They therefore can only be distinguished from those used in Cuba by the cancellation.

Former editions of Scott's catalogue included two minor varieties of the 1859 5c. vermilion and 10c. rose; these were described as our thin wove paper, "without frame around each Block of Four Stamps." All of those straight and minor varieties of the 5c. and 10c. stamps now listed in Scott's catalogue are with the frame around the block of four varieties. According to my opinion this is no more than right and just, for there are also other stamps which have lines at the sides and some which have not, and only one of these has ever been listed, the other variety being omitted. It seems therefore that there was some unexplained partiality shown towards listing there "frame" varieties of Philippine stamps formerly. Don't you think so, too?

In the 1861-62 5c. red, Scott's type A 7, there are two slight errors known in the engraving; in the first one the printer put a period after the word "Franco" in the label at bottom of the stamp, instead of leaving it blank; and in the second variety (which makes it a "variety") the printer puts a colon in place of a period after the word "Correos" which is engraved at top of stamp. Perhaps one might say that the engraver decided to be generous and sought to give extra services for his payment by making the above two little additions to the stamp. They must have been discovered only very recently, as they were only catalogued in the 59th and not before. They appear to be very rare as the catalogue fails to price them. I do not think it probable, but mayhap it may turn out to be so, that both errors exist on one stamp. This would be a double error.

The 1863 1 r. p. bottle green color has the period after the word "Correos" omitted. Former editions of Scott's priced this stamp at $6.00, used or unused; but the 59th fails to price it in either condition,

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In the Canadian Notes of Redfield Philatelic Post contains a note by a Canadian signed "Canuck" who found fault with November No. of the Jubilee because the picture of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of the Dominion of Canada, appears on cover. "Canuck" was at one time acting as Editor of Jubilee.

The Adhesive is one year old this month. Success Bro. Chapman.

The Fraud list is now open to advertisers and subscribers.

Look up the Foster-Frost Stamp Co. on page twenty.

Mr. A. R. Magill of Montreal, Que. has bought the Philatelic Spectator of Berlin from Mr. George E. Mueller, which will be consolidated with the Philatelic Record.

Mr. C. A. Holmes of Montreal, Que., has been expelled from D.P.A. Society.

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W. F. GRAHAM, REVIEW EDITOR.

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The Foreign Mail system of the United States is the leading article In the December *Bay State Philatelist* and it contains a great amount of interest but bewildering statistics.

Redfield's Philatelic Post Vol. 2 No. 1 appears with more advertisements than anything else. In the Canadian Notes "Canuck" finds fault with the November No. "Jubilee" because Sir Wilfrid Laurier's picture appears on cover, suggested instead the likeness of some noted stamp collector. Dear "Canuck" send on your picture, we'll place it on the next cover of——Ayer's Almanac.

Adhesive for November arrived with as usual an attractive cover. Veritas of the *N.Y.P.* receives a well deserved dressing in this number.

The Philatelic Advocate for December, to say the least is rather diminutive and contains no reading matter of merit. Great things are promised for the 20th century number however.

Weekly Era Vol. 15 No. 11 contains a Chronicle of New Issues by W. O. Wylie which is the only thing of interest to stamp collectors in general.

Nations Philatelic News, another new one, Vol. 1 No. 1 published at Indianoplis, Ind. The editor has for some reason omitted mentioning his name. However with a change in the color of the cover, and a little better reading matter it will present a better appearance. We wish the editor unbounded success and a happy, prosperous new year.

Montreal Philatelist the November No. is to hand. The leading article, an address by Bazil G. Hamilton is of interest to juveniles about to begin collecting. *Philately as an aid to Culture* by Edward Bell is also a readable article.

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BALTIC, OHIO.

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which forces us to the belief that it was either formerly underpriced by Scott, or that it has been cornered by speculators, and will therefore be forced up in price very much. How many collectors can boast of possessing a copy of this stamp? No dealer seems to have any for sale.

The following varieties exist in a total imperforated condition: they only refer to perforated issues, sheets of which were issued imperforated through a mistake on the part of the post office authorities:—1872 12c. rose, 1875-76 2c. rose, 1875-76 12c. lilac, 1875-76 25c. green, 1877 2c. blue, 1877 10c. blue, 1878 0.0625 m. lilac, 1878 25 m. black, 1878 50 m. lilac, 1878 100 m. carmine, 1879 100 m. green, 1879 200 m. rose, Newspaper 1890 5 m. dark violet.

Some denominations (not all I think) in imperforated condition were used on mail matter. None of the unused values seem to be rare, with the possible exception of the 1872 and 1877 issues, imperforated; they can usually be obtained at the same price or a small advance over ordinary (perforated) specimens.

I do not exactly know the reason why the 1877 2c. blue is so scarce and valuable, but presume that it is due to the fact that as there were large quantities of the 1875-76 2c. rose on hand, and these were used until late in the year 1877; then, when the stock of these was exhausted the color was changed to blue. The stamp in blue color must have been in use only a very short time before the currency was changed from cents and pesos to milesimas, in the following year. Then, of course, there was no further use for this stamp. There must have been a very small quantity of the 2c, in blue printed; or else the remainder were destroyed, for in unused condition the stamp is worth ten dollars: Used specimens command five dollars more.

Another rarity of these islands' stamps is the 1887-89 10c. green, which have never been priced by Scott in one of his catalogues, as far as I know. I do not really know why this stamp is so rare, but perhaps there was a large quantity of the former issue 10c. pole mauve on hand and therefore there was little use for the 10c. in green. However, large quantities of the 10c. green were surcharged "Habilitado Para Comumciagiones" and new value: "24-8c" in 1888-89. These were then used as war stamps, and are very common, both used and unused.

In the 58th, and preceding issues of Scott's catalogue, there were two stamps listed as follows:—1891 25c. blue and 1894 25c. dark blue, priced at very nearly the same amount, about fifty cents. In the 59th catalogue the latter stamp, 25c. dark blue is omitted from the catalogue entirely, and this forces us to the following conclusions as to why this stamp is now ignored by the catalogue makers. The dark blue color is evidently only a shad variety issued in the same year as the lighter "blue" color, and it was only through a mistake that the stamp in "dark" blue was catalogued in with the 1894 issue as a straight variety. There are good reasons for believing this, for instance since 1891 there has been no call for a stamp of the 25c. value, and no such has been issued since then. This is also true of the 1891 so-called 5c. olive brown, which is a shade of the 1889 5c. olive, and

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the 1894 24 8c. gray, which is a shade of the same value issued in 1892-93, and both of which shades were printed in the years 1889 and 1892-93 respectively. If they are again to be included in the catalogue they must come under the heading of minor varieties, which they undoubtedly are.

The 1891 10c. claret is a stamp that will probably decrease instead of rise in value witnin the next few years. Some years ago, soon after it was issued, good copies were sold from 50 cents upwards. Now the price has dropped to 10 cents; and furthermore I hear that a large quantity of remainders of this stamp—many thousands it is said—were recently sold to dealets and collectors in Manilia. This should have the effect of reducing the price still more.

The 1896 8c. rose is a very scarce stamp, missing in many of the larger dealers' stock. The 58th priced it at 15c. unused, not priced in used condition. The 59th fails to price it in either state, and if as I believe none at all or only a small quantity of remainders were among those lately sold in Manilia, the stamp is bound to be a rare one, and if you see one offered at Scott's 58th prices it is a bargain and worth buying.

The quantity printed of each denomination and sent to the islands of the 1898-99 Spanish issues is as follows: – 1 mil orange brown 900,000, 2 mils orange brown 700,000, 3 mils orange brown 400,000, 4 mills orange brown 50,000, 5 mills orange brown 600,000, 1 centavo black violet 500,000, 2 centavos blue green 500,000, 3c. centavos dark blue 4,000,000, 4 centavos orange 20,000, 5 centavos carmine 200,000, 6c. centavos dark blue 100,000, 8 centavos gray brown 500,000, 10 centavos vermilion 100,000, 15c. centavos, slate green 100,000, 20 centavos maroon 100,000, 40 centavos dark lilac 60,000, 60 centavos black 50,000, 80 centavos red brown 40,000, 1 peso yellow green 50,000, 2 pesos slate blue 20,000.

The usual method of determing the value of a stamp according to the amount issued is as follows: If one copy only of a stamp has been issued, then the stamp would be worth $50,000; if, however, fifty thousand specimens of the said stamp had been printed then each would be worth $1.00, and so on. On this basis each denomination of the 1898-99 Spanish issue would be worth individually as follows: – The 1 m would be worth 5 2-9c, 2 m 7 1-7c, 3 m 12½c, 4 m $1.00, 5 m 8 1-6c, 1c 10c, 2c 10c, 3c 15c, 4c $2.20, 5c 25c, 6c 50c, 8c 10c, 10c 50c, 15c 50c, 20c 50c, 40c $1.46 2-3c, 60c $1.00, 80c $1.10, 1 p $1.00 and 2 p $2.20.

RANDOM NOTES.

BY E. R. ALDRICK.

From an old number of L'Union Postale I learn that the number of post-offices in 1885 in operation under the Russian Postal Administration was 4836 as against 4764 the preceding year, and 4458 in 1880 and 3751 in 1876. In 1885 these offices were divided into several classes as follows:

84 control offices in capital of governments, 19 frontier offices, 706 post offices at district chief towns, 534 postal agencies, 1832 postal stations, 83 railway branch offices and 1578 railway stations empowered to receive and deliver ordinary mail only. Only about one half—2609—had daily mail service while two—Gishiginsk and

Petropaulovet—both on the eastern Siberian coast received but a single mail a year.

In order to prepay the postal rate between Bermuda and British North America the three cent tariff stamp of Bermuda was prepared. It was issued March 10, 1873, and 9800 were prepared. The demand was much larger than was anticipated and was so near exhausted that on 21st of February, 1874, the Council authorized the over-printing of three pence on a portion of the supply of the one shilling stamp and on March 12 four thousand five hundred were so surcharged. Eight days later a similar number were prepared and on May 9 a similar lot, in all 13500, of which the records only show 12800 being issued. A new supply of three pences was received on July 2, thus terminating the use of the provisional.

The following is said to have been the history of the 2c on the 13c Mauritius issued in 1887. In the early part of July the stock of the 2 cent having run low the post office authorities sent a stock of the 12 centers to the office of the Commercial Gazette at Port Louis to be converted (or possibly preverted) into 2c values. The work not being done in a manner satisfactory to the Postmaster-General, the work was stopped when twenty sheets had been fed to the press. On the morning of the 6th the supply of regular 2 centers having given out, the surcharged ones were placed on sale and so remained until noon, when the incoming mail brought in a fresh supply of adhesives and the surcharges were retired, but forty having been used. The remaining 2360 were soon afterwards disposed of to a syndicate of speculators.

LONDON NOTES.

BY W. F. DICK.

British North Borneo issued postage stamps during 1899 to the face value of £20,800. Stamps to the value of £800 were used to pay postage, the remainder, representing the sum of £20,000, were sold to philatelists.

Stanley Gibbons has startled the trade here with the announcement that after the end of this year they will cease dealing in entires and will not in future publish a catalogue of them as hitherto. They have a million envelopes, cards, etc., for sale cheap.

Mr. Phillips, the well-known member of the above mentioned firm, starts on a tour through the States very shortly and at the same time he will look in at Montreal and Boston.

As is no doubt well-known by now, New Zealand has decided to inaugurate universal penny postage at the commencement of the next century, although it is estimated that a loss of £80,000 will have to be faced the first year. The stamps are being printed by Waterlows and the following is the description of the design: Color, pink. In the centre stands a draped woman's figure holding in her hand a sceptre. Behind her is a globe typifying Universal Postage, which words are printed in small letters at her feet. Also a ship afloat upon the ocean. At the top is inscribed New Zealand and below "one penny." It is well designed and very aritstic.

Collectors should be on the lookout for any Indian stamps they may now receive as all the colors have been changed and it is easily apt to be overlooked.

ILLINOIS ITEMS.

BY S. E. MOISANT.

Auction sales seem to be getting quite popular in Chicago. The Chicago Philatelic Society holds an acution sale once a month and it is needless to say that nearly every auction buyer in the city is present. The seventh sale was held on Saturday evening, Nov. 17. As it consisted of many good stamps there were a large uumber of bidders present. The next sale will be held about the middle of December and will consist of wholesale lots and single stamps.

Mr. Z. G. Stebbins, Chicago, has gone to New Orleans, Louisiana, to spend the winter and he will be missed, no doubt, at the meetings of the C. P. S., of which society he was an ever-present member.

P. M. Wolsieffer is now hard at work on tne collections of Mr. Landis and Jenkins of Cleveland, Ohio, which he will put up at auction the latter part of December.

Recent visitors in Chicago were : Scott F. Redfield, Smethport, Pa.; I. A. Mekeel, St. Louis, Mo.; Albert C. Stewart, Toledo, Ohio; W. Sellschopp, San Francisco, Cal.; L. D. Snow, Sheldon, Ill.; and F. G. Snow, Kankakee, Ill.

F. G. Snow, one of the older dealers in the state expects to remove to Sheldon, Ill., from Kankakee, where he will take charge of a new firm to be called the Sheldon Novelty Works.

C. H. Zeggi, Dewitt, Iowa, and wife were recent visitors in Chicago who made the rounds of the Chicago dealers.

The Chicago Junior published by Rosser W. Cobbe, Chicago has been sold to S. E. Moisant who will consolidate it with his paper the Stamp Exchange and issue the two as one.

Three new stamp papers are about to make their appearance from the Prairie Stste—The Illinois Philatelist by R. Green, 204 Dearborn St., Chicago, The Illinois Monthly by the Illinois Stamp Co. Prophetstown, Ill., The Philatelic Globe, Quincy, Ill. All these will appear on January 1, 1901.

A FEW PICKUPS.

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Although it seems quite likely that Congress will repeat various sections of the 1898 law requiring the use of stamps, yet it would seem that collectors are only going to see the series called in to give the Bureau a chance to surcharge them for use in Porto Rico and possibly in the Philippines. It is hardly likely that the use of proprietory stamps will be discontinued before July 1, 1901 which would make the law operative for three years and with the exception of a few private die varieties none will ever be scarce.

Under the date of Dec. 13, 1887 the general superintendent of mail (U.S.) gave orders to throw Canadian mail into four divisions, Province of Ontario, Province of Quebec, Eastern Provinces, Northwestern Territories. The last class going by way of St. Paul was a new departure.

The postal savings bank system was added to the postal department of Great Britain in 1861, Canada in 1868, France 1882, Austria 1883, Italy 1876, Belguim 1869, Sweden 1884, Netherlands 1881, Sandwich Islands 1886, and has been a pronounced success in each instance and where enacted has always received the approval of a large number of depositors.

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